



U.S. Commercial Service Honduras

Expo Manufactura

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Honduras



- During 2005 Honduras experienced the most robust growth in Central American economy.
- Puerto Cortés is the Largest Port in Central America.
- U.S. Accounts for 50% of All Foreign Trade.
- The Manufacturing Industry Accounts for 51% of GDP.
- 7 million people; 4 int'l airports

Honduras – Foreign Direct Investment by Economic Activity

(Millions of Dollars and percentages)

Economic Activity	Participation					
	2000-2002	2003	2004	2000-2002	2003	2004
Agriculture; Fishing	4.8	12.5	11.1	2.2%	5.0%	3.4%
Mining	20.8	21.7	40.9	9.6%	8.8%	12.6%
Manufacturing	82.7	68.7	106.7	38.1%	27.8%	32.9%
Electricity, gas,water	4.5	5.8	7.2	2.1%	2.4%	2.2%
Construction	9.8	4.6	0.8	4.5%	1.9%	0.2%
Consumer Trade, Hotels/Restaurants	29.3	45.6	23.3	17.3%	18.4%	7.2%
Transportation, Storage, Communications	39.6	63.1	81.1	18.3%	25.5%	25.0%
Financial, Insurance, Services	25.4	25.2	53.4	11.7%	10.2%	16.5%
Total	216.9	247.2	324.6	103.9%	100.0%	100.0%

Honduras - Foreign Direct Investment in Manufacturing Industry by Economic Sector

2004

(Millions of Dollars and percentages)

	US\$	%
Textile Industry	57.5	41.0
Electric components and car parts	28.7	20.5
Tobacco	22.4	16.0
Service to corporations	20.7	14.7
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	7.7	5.5
Cardboard Products	3.8	2.7
Watch assembly and electronic products	2.2	1.6
Furniture production and wood products	0.5	0.3
Chemical products	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	140.2	100.0

HIGH LEVEL CLUSTERS



•MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

•AGRO-BUSINESS WITH HIGH
VALUE ADDED

•TOURISM

•FORESTRY

HONDURAS as a supplier to the US market

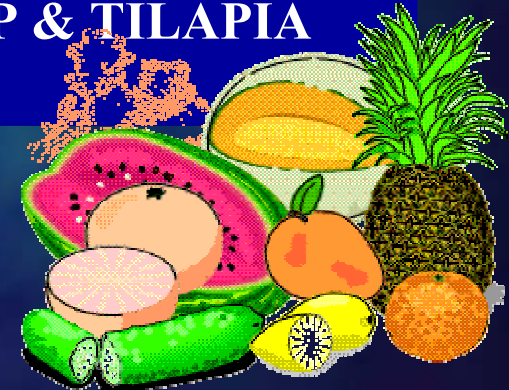
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<u>WORLD:</u>	2 nd	2 nd	3 rd	3 rd	3 rd
<u>CBI COUNTRIES:</u>	1 st	1 st	1 st	1 st	1 st
<u>CENTRAL AMERICA:</u>	1 st	1 st	1 st	1 st	1 st



HONDURAS IS INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN FOR THE PRODUCTION OF BANANA, COFFEE, PINEAPPLE, MELON, PICKLES, GINGER, COCOA, SPICES AND A VARIETY OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

HONDURAS IS THE #1 PROVIDER OF ORIENTAL GARDEN PRODUCE, #2 IN JALAPEÑO PEPPER TO USA AND EXCELLENT CIGAR PRODUCERS

IT IS ALSO KNOWN AS THE LEADER OF SHRIMP & TILAPIA PRODUCTION IN LATIN AMERICA.



Largest Export Opportunities

- Textile Machinery
- Food Processing and Packaging
- Forestry and Woodworking Machinery
- Plastics Machinery & Equipment
- Printing & Graphics Machinery

Thank you

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